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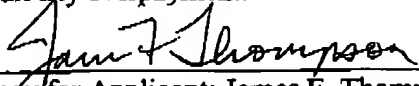
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Docket No.: COMET-003XX

Sir:

In re application of: **James A. Rosen et al****Entitled: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ENABLING INFORMATION ASSOCIATIONS**Transmitted herewith is an **amendment** in the above-identified application. The following checked items are applicable:

- ☐ This is a Request for Continued Examination under §1.114; authorization is provided herewith to charge Deposit Account No. 23-0804 for the cost of same (\$ \_\_\_\_\_) per §1.17(e).  
☐ Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_ per §1.116.
- ☐ A Petition for Extension of Time for \_\_\_\_ month is hereby made under §1.136(a); authorization is provided herewith to charge Deposit Account No. 23-0804 for the cost of same (\$ \_\_\_\_\_) per §1.17.
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\_\_\_\_\_  
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Independent	5 - 5	= -0-	x \$86.00 =	-0-
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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated February 10,  
2004, reconsideration of this application in light of the remarks  
below is respectfully requested.

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